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HYBRID TEA ROSE PLANT NAMED 'TANTALIZING RED'

5 BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a new and distinct variety
of rose plant of the hybrid tea rose which was created by
crossing as seed and pollen parents two (2) unknown rose
varieties. The varietal denomination of the new variety is
10 'TANTALIZING RED'.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Among the novel characteristics possessed by this new
variety which distinguishes it from other varieties of which I
15 am aware, is its attractive red flowers.

Asexual reproduction by propagation by budding of the new
variety as performed in Wasco, California shows that the
foregoing and other distinguishing characteristics come true to
form and are established and transmitted through succeeding
20 propagations.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ILLUSTRATION

The accompanying illustration shows typical specimens of the flowers of the new variety depicted in color as nearly true as it is reasonably possible to make the same in a color illustration of this character.

DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW VARIETY

The following is a detailed description of 1-year-old plants of the new variety, with color terminology in accordance with The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart (RHS/C). The terminology used in color description herein refers to plate numbers in the aforementioned color chart. Phenotypic expression may vary with light availability, environmental and cultural conditions.

The following observations are made of specimens grown outdoors in Wasco, California, during November.

PLANT

Form: Upright
 Growth: Vigorous, non-uniform
 Size: Height about 6 feet; width about 3 feet

Foliage

Size: Length about 2 1/2 inches; width about 1 3/4 inches

Quantity: About 7

Color

New foliage: Upper side near 14A; under side near 142B

Mature foliage: Upper side near 147A; under side near 147C

Shape: Elliptic

Texture

Upper side: Smooth

Under side: Matte

Base: Coriaceous

Arrangement: Alternate

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Leaves: Top surface color near 144B;
Under side near 144A
Stipules: Normal
Auricle: Alan shaped
Baculis: Smooth
Variegation: Slight
Veination: None observed

Stem

New shoots

Bark: Smooth
Wood: Near 60A

Old wood

Bark: Smooth
Wood: Near 146B

Flowering stem: Length about 6 inches
Winter Hardiness: Completely winter hardy
Resistance to disease: Average
Temperature range: Between 16 and 18 F
Internode spacing: Regular
Preferred growing conditions: Full sun
Growth habit: Upright
Leaves per stem: About 7

FLOWER INFLORESCENCE

Flowering Habit: Recurrent
Bud: About 1.5 inch
Form: High centered cluster of
form

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Calici:	Before sepals divide will near 11A; when sepals first divide 11B or near 11; when petals begin to unfold 11C near 13E
Sepals:	Pointed at ends; regular appearance
Size:	Length in relation to ovary, about 1 1/2 inches
Color:	Topside near 158E; bottom near 144C
Peduncle	
Length:	About 1 3/4 inches
Strength:	Firm
Color:	Near 59C
Flower	
Size:	About 3 inches
Borne:	Singly
Form:	High centered
Petalage:	About 28
Petaloids in center:	Few
Persistence:	Strong
Fragrance:	Slight
Lasting quality:	About 2 weeks in plant; 4 or 5 days after cutting
Color	
During first 2 days:	Inner petals at flower center 11 purple near 11B; 11C to 11D 11E; outer petals 11F to 11G near 11H, 11I to 11J

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Base of petals

Point of attachment: Near 115B

General tonality from a distance:

Near 11B

Color Change:

As bloom fades, takes slight
to near 11B; after 3 or more
days, about the same

General tonality from a distance:

Dark red even after 3 or more
days

Petals

Texture: Soft

Shape: Wider than long

Arrangement: Normal

Appearance: Satiny

REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS

Arrangement of stamens,
Filaments and Anthers:

Regularly arranged around
styles

Color:

Filaments near 11.5B; Anthers
near 115B

Styles:

Thin

Stigmas:

Color near 115B

Hips/Seed Vessels/Ovaries

Shape: Round

Size: About 1 1/2 inch

Color: Near 144A

Seeds:

No seeds inserted